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1. An ammunition dump is located approximately two kilometers west of Gorzow Wielkopolski (Landsberg-053/W08). The warehouses are subordinate to the 4th Engineer Regiment, [redacted] in Gorzow Wielkopolski. 50X1-HUM
2. [redacted] the warehouses [redacted] are located 50X1-HUM site of a former German fortification, which included underground warehouses.
3. No buildings are visible above ground. The area of the underground installations is about 400 meters long and 300 meters wide. The warehouses are near a small ravine which runs from north to south. There is a steel entrance door on the side of the ravine. Each room receives ventilation by a chimney which protrudes about 40 cm. above ground. There is a separate room for each of the materials stored here. These materials include trinitrofluorene, plastics, dynamite, detonator fuses, igniters, ammunition, etc.
4. The area of the ammunition dump is surrounded by a barbed wire fence, two meters high. Five meters in front of this fence there is a smooth wire fence, 50 cm. high. The triple line of smooth wire is connected with a network of electric bells. If one of the wires are touched a switchboard in the guardroom indicates the vicinity where the wire was disturbed.
5. The area is further protected by fougasse mines. Holes are dug about one meter deep. A large quantity of high explosives is placed in these holes which are covered up with tar paper. Electric conductors which lead to a detonator in the guardroom are connected to the mines. The holes are then filled with stones or bricks and covered with earth. This system serves as a defense against an attack from a large number of people. Intermingled with these mines are regular land mines, concealed with earth.
6. Inside the area of the warehouses electric wires are strung on high posts surrounding the area. There is a lamp on each post and at night the entire area is illuminated. In the middle of the area there is an observation tower with a revolving searchlight.

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7. The guard unit consists of 18 soldiers commanded by a corporal or sergeant. The soldiers have three shifts changing every two hours, with six soldiers to each shift. The guards are on duty inside of the area and two sentries stand at their posts while four patrol the area. Each sentry is furnished with an automatic. The guards also have four trained dogs which are released at night.
8. There is an entrance gate facing the Gorzow Wielkopolski-Kostrzyn (Kuestrin) road. The guardroom is located in the area which is not visible from the road. The guardroom is equipped with two submachine guns, a box of grenades, ammunition, one signaling pistol and the telephone number for the commanding officer of the unit.

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